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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Carlo CANTERI  
Ser. No. : 09/308,962  
Filed : September 2, 1999  
For : METHOD FOR INCREASING THE BEARING ...  
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**LETTER**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington D.C. 20231 U.S.A.

**MAIL STOP ISSUE FEE**

Sir,

Applicant herewith encloses the Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status duly signed by the Assignee URETEK WORLDWIDE OY in the person of Mr. Timo Lahtinen.

Therefore, please be informed that we are concurrently paying the Issue and Publication Fees for small entity amount.

Respectfully submitted

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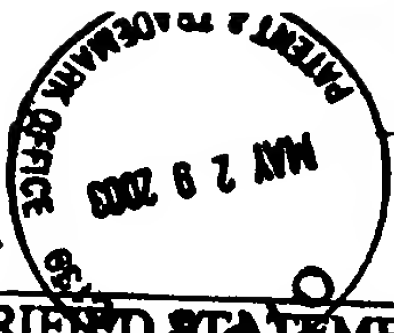
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- Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status duly signed by the Assignee.



**VERIFIED STATEMENT CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS**  
(37 CFR 1.9(f) & 1.27(c)) -- SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN

Docket Number (Optional):  
32431/NP

Applicant or Patentee: EUROGOODS - COMERCIALIZAÇÃO E DISTRIBUIÇÃO DE MERCADORIAS  
Application or Patent N°.: 09/308,962

Filing date or Issue date: September 2, 1999

Title: METHOD FOR INCREASING THE BEARING CAPACITY OF FOUNDATION  
SOILS FOR BUILDINGS

hereby declare that I am

☐ the owner of the small business concern identified below:

☒ an official of the small business concern empowered to act on behalf of the concern identified below:

NAME OF SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN URETEK WORLDWIDE OY

ADDRESS OF SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN Hatanpään valtatie 24  
33100 TAMPERE - FINLAND

I hereby declare that the above identified small business concern qualifies as a small business concern as defined in 13 CFR 121.12, and reproduced in 37 CFR 1.9(d), for purposes of paying reduced fees to the United States Patent and Trademark Office, in that the number of employees of the concern, including those of its affiliates, does not exceed 500 persons. For purposes of this statement, (1) the number of employees of the business concern is the average over the previous fiscal year of the concern of the persons employed on a full-time, part-time or temporary basis during each of the pay periods of the fiscal year, and (2) concerns are affiliates of each other when either, directly or indirectly, one concern controls or has the power to control the other, or a third party or parties controls or has the power to control both.

I hereby declare that rights under contract or law have been conveyed to and remain with the small business concern identified above with regard to the invention described in:

☐ the specification filed herewith with title as listed above.

☒ the application identified above.

☐ the patent identified above.

If the rights held by the above identified small business concern are not exclusive, each individual, concern or organization having rights in the invention must file separate verified statements averring to their status as small entities, and no rights to the invention are held by any person, other than the inventor, who would not qualify as an independent inventor under 37CFR 1.9(c) if that person made the invention, or by any concern which would not qualify as a small business concern under 37 CFR 1.9(d), or a non-profit organisation under 37 CFR 1.9(e).

Each person, concern or organisation having any rights in the invention is listed below:

☒ No such person, concern, or organisation exists.

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Separate verified statements are required from each named person, concern or organisation having rights to the invention averring to their status as small entities. (37 CFR 1.27)

I acknowledge the duty to file, in this application or patent, notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status prior to paying, or at the time of paying, the earliest of the issue fee or any maintenance fee due after the date on which status as a small entity is no longer appropriate. (37 CFR 1.28(b))

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application, any patent issuing thereon, or any patent to which this verified statement is directed.

NAME OF PERSON SIGNING: Timo Lahtinen

TITLE OF PERSON IF OTHER THAN OWNER Managing director

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SIGNATURE: [Signature] DATE: 31 Jan 2003